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1. The first of the 200 long-distance coaches under contract at Waggonfabrik Ammendorf; WUMAG, Gbrlitz; and Busch, Bautzen, has been completed at Ammendorf and dispatched to Moscow. The Scharffenberg self-operating claw couplings ordered from Wittman, Haspe (near Hagen), were not delivered. The coach was therefore fitted with sleeve buffers. The coach was tested according to Reichsbahn regulations and was successfully operated at speeds up to 95 k.p.h.
 2. There are 29 other coaches under construction at Ammendorf, which cannot be completed because of a shortage of electrical equipment, wood screws, rivets and cotter pins. Comment: It is significant that such small parts as rivets, cotter pins, and screws are holding up delivery of these coaches.)
 3. No bodies have been built by WUMAG or Busch on account of the lack of the necessary materials. Comment: Ammendorf started six months earlier to obtain the raw materials.)
 4. WUMAG, Gbrlitz, is responsible for the bogies for all 200 coaches. The complete lack of sets of wheels and axles, axle boxes, springs and section irons makes the delivery of these very uncertain. These parts come from the Western Zones.

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